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### FEE CALCULATION

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##### Fee Description

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### FEE CALCULATION (continued)

#### ADDITIONAL FEES

##### Fee Description

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SUBTOTAL (3) **\$0**

#### 2. Claims

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Total Claims	47	-20	=	27	x 18 =	486

Independent Claims	8	-3	=	5	x 80 =	400
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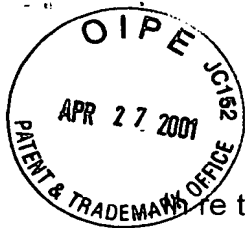
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Re the Application of **DiBiao et al.**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add an abstract to the specification as set forth in Attachment A.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 7 as follows and add claims 8-47. The amendments to claim 7 are being made to affect an editorial revision, not for a reason related to patentability. A marked-up copy of claim 7 is provided in Attachment B, which shows the amendments in underline and bracket form.

- a, 7. (Amended) A method for processing a leading envelope having contents comprising one or more documents and a trailing envelope having contents comprising one or more documents, comprising the steps of:
- feeding the leading envelope along an envelope path from an input bin;
  - measuring the thickness of the leading envelope;
  - determining the gap necessary between the leading envelope and the trailing envelope in response to the measured thickness wherein the gap is sufficient to avoid interference between the envelopes and their contents as they are conveyed along the document path;
  - controlling the feeding of the trailing envelope along the document path to provide the determined gap.

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